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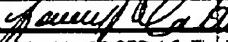
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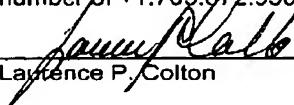
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STATUS

Claims 1-28 are pending in the patent application.

The claims were subject to an election requirement in which Claims 1-9 and 22-24 were elected.

Claims 10-21 and 25-28 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 1-9 and 22-24 have been rejected under 35 USC 112, but are allowable if the 35 USC 112 concerns are addressed.